

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PLANTATION OF PALM TREES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to promote the plantation of palm trees;
- (b) if so, whether improved seeds and saplings of palm-trees are being germinated;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the corrective steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (d): Government proposes to bring 2,24,100 ha. of potential area under oilpalm cultivation in the country by the end of XI Five Year Plan on the basis of recommendations of Chadha Committee. The required planting material will be raised in various nurseries established in the oilpalm growing states and through import of sprouts of improved hybrids.